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THE BARL TAKEN OFF THE TEUTONIC AT QUAR-ANTINE AND HUSTLED UP TO THE CITY-THOSE WITH HIM AND THEIR DISIN-

> CLINATION TO TALK-MOVE-MENTS OF THE PARTY.

Earl of Dunraven, K. P., was absent from the reception prepared for him by the regiment of hospitable newspaper men on the omenade deck of the White Star liner Teuonic vesterday morning. Arrangements had been perfected by H. Maitland Kersey, the Earl's American representative, to take his lordship off at Quarantine as soon as the steamer had passed the hands of the Health Officer, and that was done. The way of it all was very simple and easy. The dense fog which enveloped bay and shore and shrouded every light on Wednesday night was a sufficient



J. A. C. HAMILTON.

argument to induce Captain J. G. Cameron to forego attempting the passage of the tortuous anchored just outside, intending to remain there until morning, or, at least, until the fog should lift. At a late hour the mists parted sufficiently to satisfy the pilot, and the ship slowly steamed up to the Quarantine station, arriving there shortly before 3 o'clock.

In addition to arranging with the Collector of the Port for Lord Dunraven's departure from the tug C. Evarts to meet the ship. The Evarts was under command of Captain Joseph Parker, who will be remembered as the commander of the Valkyrie's tender, the City of Bridgeport, during the racing excitement of last fall. He had gone down the Bay in the early hours of the afternoon, and there cruised about or waited at the Quarantine pier.

As soon as the Teutonic's high black sides loomed through the darkness the Evarts put out to her post haste, for Captain Parker had two communications. One was for the Earl of Dunraven, from Mr. Kersey, and contained a pass for himself and Arthur Giennie from the Treasury Department. The other was a message from the same hand for Captain Cameron. Both communications were passed over the side at 3 o'clock, and word came back from the Earl for the tug to be on hand promptly at 7:30 o'clock yesterday morning, for at that hour was known that the work of the Health Officer would be completed, and it was likewise known that 7:30 o'clock is the time for departure of the revenue cutter from the Barge Office, and, incidentally, likewise, of the re-

oned without their host. Instructions had been given at the Barge Office the previous evening for the staff officer and inspectors to report at 7 o'clock, in order that the steamer might not be delayed. The order was not well understood apparently, for, while Deputy-Collector Dowling was on hand, the men were not there. A Tribune reporter saw Mr. Dowling just as he opened his office, and he said, "Yes, sir; I am ready to go, and we would start for Quarantine



ARTHUR GLENNIE.

at once if the men were here. As it is, we shall wait until 7:30."

The Evarts was on hand promptly, and at 7:30 o'clock Lord Dunraven and Arthur Giennie passed down the ladder to her decks, and she steamed away for the city. The passengers were landed at the foot of West Twenty-fourthst, where carriages were in waiting, and they were at once driven to Mr. Kersey's house, at No. 40 East Twenty-fifth-st. There Lord Dunraven remained, refusing to see any visitors during the hours of the morning. Mr. Glennie, Rear-Commodore of the Royal Portsmouth Yacht Club, who has come over to assist the Earl in his case against the Defender syndicate, went to the Brunswick, but did not register there. Captain Parker was seen after the steamer's arrival at her pier at the foot of Christopher-st., but he had little to add to what has already been stated. He did not know where the carriage had gone after its rapid flight from the Twenty-fourth-st. pier. Captain Cameron, as he stepped from the gangway. gave him a good-humored nod of recognition and passed on to make his report.

THE EVARTS NOT SIGHTED.

As the revenue cutter passed down the Bay all hands on board kept a sharp lookout ahead for the Evarts, as it was known that she was on hand to perform just the function described above, but she was not signted. The liner was under slow headway when the cutter drew alongside. Curious passengers flocked to the rail and looked down upon the deck of the official boat, which was crowded with men, in that same curious fashion which is peculiar to all passengers on incoming steamships They gazed with especial curiosity upon the reporters as the latter one by one scaled the ladder, and each newspaper representative, as he clambered past the sailors at the entrance, was confronted with a grin and



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the remark: "He's gone; you've missed your man. The Earl has gone ashore, sir."

When informed in turn that the fact was well known, the passengers exchanged significant glances, as much as to say "Now, look at that; ye can't fool the reporters."

But the Earl of Dunraven and Commodore Glennie did not constitute the entire party of people interested in this international complica-At first it was solemnly asserted by various passengers who quietly interested them-selves in behalf of the newsgatherers that Com-modore Glennie had not gone ashore. A high and low search falled to reveal him, but it did bring low search failed to reveal him, but it did bring to light George R. Askwith, Earl Dunraven's counsel in the forthcoming investigation; the Earl's private secretary, J. A. G. Hamilton, and the Earl's manservant. Mr. Askwith, who will have to cross arguments with Joseph H. Choate before the committee of investigation of Lord Dunraven's charges, is a man of slender figure, and has the student's stoop to his shoulders. He is probably about thirty-clicht years of age, wears glasses and has the air of a man of contemplative mind. It is his first visit to this country, and he mind. It is his first visit to this country, and he watched the unfolding panorama of bay, river and city with the keenest possible enjoyment. and city with the keenest possible enjoyment. The fog had entirely disappeared. The towering roofs of lower Broadway, the vista of the North River, the statue of Liberty, and the low-lying shores of Jersey were bathed in a mellow light, and it was evident that Mr. Askwith felt he had seidom looked upon a faire; vision of the morning. While absolutely declining to discuss the case in which he is to play a prominent part, he carried no chill as an edge to his conversation. MR. ASKWITH'S RETICENCE.

He said regarding the coming inquiry

ceedings. We are in such a position that we can not talk. We are to appear before a very dignified body of men, and, I take it, it would be in

we certainly shall not. As to the plans of Lord Dunraven, I know nothing with definiteness. It is my impression though that he has made is my impression, though, that he has made none. It is not true that he will return to England

GEORGE R. ASKWITH.

than likely that he will remain here until the investigation has closed."

investigation has closed."

Asked if Lord Dunraven had with him the affidavits reputed to have been taken in the case, Mr. Askwith declined to affirm or deny, but it was observed that when Mr. Hamilton came down the gangway he carried under his arm a dispatch box which he guarded with jealous care, and the whisper went round that it contained the documents upon which so much may depend. Turn-ing from the issues in which everybody is most deeply concerned, Mr. Askwith was asked what he thought of the chances of a war over the ing from the issues

deeply concerned, Mr. Askwith was asked what he thought of the chances of a war over the Venezuelan question.

"Nonsense! Never, never!" He repeated the word emphatically and warmly. "The nations are too closely affiliated for anything of that kind to occur. Then there is no cause for war. Why, do you know what war means?" and his look speke volumes of its horrors. "We are civilized nations and matters of this kind should and will be made volumes of its horrors. We are civilized nations and matters of this kind should and will be made subjects of arbitration." He was eager for information on the topic, because when the steamer sailed the correspondence between Secretary Olney and Lord Salisbury, together with the messags of President Ceveland, had just appeared in

sags of President Ceveland, had just appeared in the English papers.

Mr. Hamilton, Lord Dunraven's private secre-tary, is a smooth-shoven, slender young man, who has the faculty of being an excellent listener. He walked up and down the deck with Mr. Askwith, and if the latter paused to reply to a question he paused likewise and listened and seemed intensely interested in the savings and doings of the reinterested in the sayings and doings of the re porters. This is his first visit to America. Occa sionally he laughed heartily at some particularly pointed question, as if enjoying the discomfiture of his associate in being so beleaguered, but he became filgety under the eye of that other distinetly American product, the newspaper artist. He had his laugh over the Earl's escape, but the artists balanced the account for their fellow-

Finally, their ordeal over, both Mr. Askwith and Finally, their ordeal over, both Mr. Askwith and Mr. Hamilton took positions on the forward deck and there chatted with a number of women until the ship had been drawn well into her berth at the White Star pler. Then they disappeared and were not seen again till all but a seant haif-dozen passengers had landed. Then they came down the gangplank and in a few moments were joined by Mr. Kersey, who assisted them in getting their belongings together for a speedy departure from the pler. A cab was in waiting for them at the entrance. Both remarked on the vessel that they did not know where they were to be quartered while here. Later it was surmised that the entire party will be located at Mr. Kersey's rooms

while here. Later it was surmised that the entire party will be located at Mr. Kersey's rooms for convenience' sake.

During the morning Lerd Dunraven visited the offices of the White Star Company in lower Broadway, where he held a consultation with a number of men and then returned to the Kersey apartments, where he declined to see any one. While he was absent his man-servant arrived at the rooms with his luggage. He was attired in a dark-brown unit with the Dunraven colors for a neckie-blue and yellow, flaring and conspicuous. He said he "didn't know nuthin' about his Ludship," which was probably more correct as a statement of fact know nuthin' about his Ludship," which was probably more correct as a statement of fact than as an example of pure English. Later on Lord Dunraven appeared and was whisked into the house with lightning speed.

MR. KERSEY LIKEWISE SILENT.

Mr. Kersey was seen as soon as the Teutonic reached her pier. He came on board, and the instant a question was launched at him of the most innocent character ht absolutely bristled with business and remarked that he had not a moment to talk. Later on the pier he said to a Tribune reporter: "I have absolutely nothing to say about Lord Dunraven."
"But, Mr. Kersey, can you not tell us where

he is stopping

he is stopping?"

"I have nothing to say whatever."

The passengers on board the Teutonic, as has been suggested, were quite ready to tell all they knew about the Earl, and opinions differed mare or less widely as prejudices were held by individuals. The Earl occupied the right-hand seat at the captain's table, and the members of his party were seated about the same table. He occupied stateroom D on the promenade deck until the last night, when he used W on the starboard side. Mr. Arkwith had No. 20 on the starboard side. Mr. Arkwith had No. 20 on the saloon deck. The ship left England just as the message of President Cleveland and the letters of Secretary Olney and Lord Salisbury were published in the English papers, so that they had not heard of the nature of the "war news" in the interim. A prominent New-Yorker, however, who was on board remarked to a Tribune reporter that there was little if any war talk during the voyage, and especially was this true during the storm which lasted from Saturday afternoon until late on Sunday. During that storm only fifteen passengers were able to reach the dinner-table. Among the good sailors Lord Dunraven was prominent, but Mr. Askwith very frankly confessed that he was the poorest kind of a sailor, and held his berth.

AT THE NEW-YORK YACHT CLUB. have nothing to say whatever."

AT THE NEW-YORK YACHT CLUB. The New-York Yacht Club, No. 67 Madisonave., where the inquiry into the Dunraven charges will begin to-day, was visited yesterday by a number of people who were anxious to know what arrangements had been made for the hearwhat arrangements with the place, who would be called and how much of the proceedings would be made public. The preverbial clam could not have said less than those in charge of the clubhouse. Secretary Oddie said that he knew absorber house. Secretary Oddie said that he knew abso-lutely nothing on the subject, and pointed sig-nificantly to the notice of the bulletin, which had just been posted. This was the notice:
"Strangers will not be admitted to the club-house, except as provided in Chapter XIX of the

house, except as provided in Chapter XIX of the bylaws.

The chapter in question provides that a stranger not living within fifty miles of New-York City may be introduced by a member under certain conditions, but that no person living in the city or within fifty miles of it, except officers of the Army and Navy of the United States, can be admitted to the club. This precaution is taken in order to make the hearing perfectly private.

One member of the club said that he thought that the people who objected to the secrecy with which the club is surrounding the investigation were perfectly right. "Why should these sessions be held behind closed doors?" he asked. "What is there to hide, and what good reason can there be for inquisitorial secrecy?"

The Earl of Dunraven is equally anxious to keep his plans and his evidence locked up. He went to the apartments which were engaged for him in the same house where his friend, H. M. Kersey lives, No. 40 East Twenty-fifth-st., and positively refused to see any one. He instructed the servants to admit no one and to bring him no cards.

Late in the afternoon it was learned that he was with H. M. Kersey, Arthur Glennie and

Strange rumors were circulated as to the evidence which Dunraven brought over with him and of his assuring some of his fellow-passengers on the Teutonic of his ability to prove all that he charged against the Defender syndicate.

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"Mr. Askwith will know more than he does today when Mr. Choate gets through with him,"
said a passenger on the Teutonic. "He has never
been here before and unless I am much mistaken
he'll be sorry he came." As to the evidence with
which Lord Dunraven is said to come armed, it
was rumored that he had affidavits from the sailing master of Valkyrie III, Captain Cranfield,
and from Captain Sycamore and four members of
the Valkyrie crew. What evidence the detective
agency which he employed obtained for him nobody knows. Some yachtsmen look upon these
rumors in a serious light, while others, and they
are largely in the majority, smile at the idea that
Lord Dunraven will be able to prove that he was
cheated.

cheated.

One member said: "He opened the pot with a pair of tens, hoping to better his hand, but he failed, and now he is playing a great game of bluff. When the showdown comes Dunraven will be a small man."

Nothing positive was known yesterday, but it is expected that every member of the committee will be present at the opening session to-morrow, and that J. Pierpont Morgan will preside, and George L. Rives will act as secretary. The other members of the committee are William C. Whitney, Edward J. Phelps and Cantain A. T. Mahan.

It was reported yesterday that Mr. Whittey, who has been indisposed for several days, had recovered sufficiently to be able to attend the meeting, which will be held in the model-room of the clubhouse. Among the witnesses who will be called by Mr. Iselin will be the members of the Defender's syndicate, Captain Hank Haff, the captain of the Hattie Palmer, and part of the crew of the Defender. they will make any statement on their side, and the crew of the Defender.

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Twelve of the crew arrived here from Deer Island this morning early.
Captain "Joe" Parker, of the City of Bridgeport, the Valkyrie's tender, will probably be called as a witness by the Dunraven party. He was seen yesterday, but refused to say anything as to the coming hearing.

Herbert C. Leeds, of Boston, who salled on the Defender, is registered at the Brunswick. While C. Oliver Iselin was standing at the desk in the Hotel Brunswick yesterday morning addressing a parcel to Mr. Leeds, Arthur Glennie and Mr. Askwith came in. The men saw one another, but no salute or sign of recognition was passed. It is generally believed that the session of the

It is generally believed that the session of the committee to-day will be a short one, and that, after an organization has been effected and a plan of procedure adopted, the committee will adjourn to meet again to-morrow.

At No. 40 East Twenty-fifth-st., it was said last night that Lord Durraven, H. M. Kersey, Arthur Glennie and Mr. Askwith were "out to dinner." The servant said that the party left the house shortly after 6 o'clock, and would not return until late.

PHILADELPHIA'S NEW LOAN.

TRUST COMPANIES TAKE MOST OF THE ISSUE OF CITY BONDS.

Philadelphia, Dec. 26.-The new \$1,000,000 loan at 3½ per cent was closed out by City Treasurer Oellers day, four local trust companies agreeing to take the balance of \$834,600. At the opening of bids for the loan by Mayor Warwick on Monday the total subscriptions were only \$82,400. turned the sale over to the treasurer, with a request that he endeavor to dispose of the balance,

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Mr. Oellers undertook the task, and succeeded in selling \$33,000 worth to private persons. He had, in the mean time, been endeavoring to interest trust companies, with the result that four of them agreed to-day to take the balance of \$23,500. These companies are the Pennsylvania Company for Insurance on Lives and Granting Annuities, the Provident Life and Trust Company, the Philadelphia Safe Deposit Insurance and Trust Company, and the Girard Life Insurance Annuity and Trust Company.

Several New-York capitalists were after a share of the loan to-day, but were informed that they were too late. One capitalist wanted \$100,000 worth and another \$250,000.

MR. PEABODY ON TRIAL FOR LIBEL.

HE STANDS BY HIS CHARGES AGAINST CONGRESS. MAN ATWOOD. Boston, Dec. 26.-The trial of Frederick W. Pea-

body on the indictment charging him with having Hbelled Congressman H. H. Atwood in the matter of the latter's administration of the office of City Architect of Boston was begun to-day in the Superior Court before Judge Gaskill. The alleged libel was contained in an open letter written by the defendant to Mayor Curtis and published in a local paper. The defendant has set up as a defence the truth of

The defendant has set up as a defence the truth of the charges.

Assistant District-Attorney McLaughlin, in his opening argument, said that the letter charged that Mr. Atwood had been dismissed from office by Mayor Mathews for proposing a corrupt political bargain, and that Mr. Atwood had robbed the city of Boston of between \$89,900 and \$190,000. Mr. McLaughlin, continuing, said that Mr. Atwood had split up contracts, but he did it for the good of the city, because there was not enough money appropriated by the city. So far as the charges that Mr. Atwood released contractors from their obligations to the city, that he robbed the city or proposed a corrupt political bargain are concerned, the State would show their faisity.

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ongressman Atwood was called by Mr. McLaughlie testilied: "I took charge of the City Archir's office in May, 1855. I was appointed by Mayor
t and was dismissed by Mayor Mathews on
rch 20, 1891. I was elected a year ago to Congress
he Xth District."

The place of President pro tem. of the Sen-

here.

Mr. Chaplin then opened for the defence, and twenty-one witnesses were sworn, including Mayor-elect Quincy and ex-Mayor Mathews. The latter took the stand, and testified that a week before he removed Mr. Atwood the latter said to him that he desired to be reappointed, at least until certain new schoolhouses were completed; that he had some influence in Ward Eight, and that he would use it in the Republican convention to secure the nomination of Moody Merrill for Mayor. In consequence of this and other reasons assigned in his letter of removal, witness dismissed Mr. Atwood from his position.

Josiah Quincy, Mayor-elect, testified that some weeks before Mr. Atwood's removal Atwood spoke to him about his expected loss of position, and asked witness as a political friend of Mayor Mathews to speak to the Mayor in his behalf, saying that it would be of advantage, in view of political services which he could render to him, to retain him. Witness's recollection was that Mr. Atwood did not speak of any particular service, but of his influence in the Republican party.

A CONVENTION OF LINGUISTS.

New-Haven, Dec. 26.-The thirteenth annual meeting of the Modern Language Association of America began at Yale this morning, and it will last three days. About seventy-five professors from all the leading American universities were present. The following papers were read: "The Origin of the Rule Forbidding Hiatus in French Verse," Professor P. B. Marcou, Harvard; "Marco Polo and the Squiers' Tale," Professor John M. Polo and the Squiers' Tale," Professor John M. Manley, Brown: "Goethe's Attitude Toward Contemporary Politics" Dr. Robert N. Corwin, Yale; "Ueber Goethe's Sonnette," Professor J. Schipper, University of Vienna: "The Conventions of the Drama," Professor Brander Matthews, Columbia: "The Nibelungenlied and the Sage in Modern Poetry," Professor Gustav Gruener, Yale; "Notes of John Tiptoft, Earl of Worcester," Professor Henry S. Pancoust, Germantown, Penn.; "A Wilhelm Tell Ballad in America," Professor M. D. Learned, University of Pennsylvania: "A Study of the Development and the Disappearance of a Stop Between Nasal and Spirant in American English," Professor C. H. Grangent, Cambridge, Mass, "Notes on Ben Jonson's Quarrel with Marston," Dr. Joniah H. Penniman, University of Pennsylvania, "Professor J. Morgan Hart, of Cornell, president of the association, acted as chairman at to-day's session.

F. L. HIGGINSON SUES FOR DIVORCE. Boston, Dec. 26.-F. L. Higginson, the State-st banker, whose wife recently eloped with F. Wheatland Smith, to-day filed a bill for absolute divorce on statutory grounds.

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ASSEMBLY.

FROM THE REGULAR CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE. Albany, Dec. 26.-The nearness of the session of the Legislature of 1896 was indicated to-day by the arrival of several members of both houses. Governor Morton seemed to be conscious that his hours of uninterrupted perusal of state papers in the Executive Chamber were numbered and that he must hasten the completion of the annual message to the Legislature, to be submitted next Wednesday.

Some of the members of the Legislature who arrived to-day were from New-York and Brooklyn. Only one measure that will be submitted to the the Greater New-York bill. One Republican Senator, who did not care to have his name used, some interesting news and criticism of

"In my epinion," he said, "the submergence of the Republican city of Brooklyn in the Democratic city of New-York is political madness on the part of the leaders of the Republican party, and yet that is the scheme which is to be put through the Legislature under caucus pressure. I suppose, however, that I shall go into the caucus meekly and swallow the dose, for Mr. Platt and Mr. Lauterbach seem bound to administer it. THE SCHEME OUTLINED.

"Their plan is to pass a law wiping out the separate police commissions of New-York, Brooklyn and Long Island City, and substitute for them a single Board of Police for the Greater New-York district. Their plan also embraces, I understand, the naming of the members of this Board of Police here in Albany, under the pleathat it is to be of a temporary nature, created before the election of a Mayor for the great municipality to be constituted."

"When will this Board of Police for the Greater New-York take office?" "Immediately upon the passage of the act, I

hear, and that would probably be about the 1st of March." "You said that you thought the consolidation

of New-York and Brooklyn would be a political mistake. In what way?" "I look at it in this way: Once in about every

ten years the Republican party elects a Mayor in Brooklyn, whereas we do not elect a Repub lican Mayor in New-York once in forty years. Therefore, by uniting New-York and Brooklyn, we would put the Republican voters in Brooklyn wholly at the mercy of the great mass of Democratic voters in New-York As I said before, I think this is a political error, and one which the Republican party will regret deeply; but I shall, nevertheless, go into caucus and submit

"Of course the creation of a Board of Police for both New-York and Brooklyn would commit the Republican party irrevocably to the union of these cities. A referendum is to be refused to the taxpayers of Brooklyn. That, I think, is not just. They ought to know the particulars of the charter which is to govern them as a part of New-York before they are put under its control, and they should have the right to declare in a legal way whether they accept it or

PLATT'S REASON FOR HASTE.

Mr. Platt, in the judgment of the Republican members of the Legislature now here, seeks to gain control of the Board of Police of New-York and Brooklyn, as early as March 1, with the idea of securing the election of delegates to the Republican National Convention. The Police Department of New-York under Tammany Hall was a most influential part of the political machinery of the organization. It could pack primaries, and it would exclude independent voters from Democratic primaries. Mr. Platt undoubtedly viewed this instrument of Mr. Croker's with envious eyes in former years. and he would like to possess it now to use in controlling the primaries of the Republican party in New-York City and in Brooklyn, as well as in Long Island City. With the Police Department in both New-York and Brooklyn in

ate, which, under the new Constitution, has become one of great importance, will be held by Senator Timothy E. Ellsworth, of Lockport, Niagara County. There is no doubt that he will be the unanimous choice of the Republican Senators at the caucus, which they will hold next Tuesday evening. Senator Ellsworth is a veteran, for he was a member of the Senate for two terms, covering the years 1882, 1883, 1884 and 1885. He then exhibited those traits of good judgment, integrity, ability and diplomatic skill that have led to his unanimous selection for President pro tem. The Senators will also



THE KNIGHT IN A DILEMMA.

choose at their caucus John S. Kenyon, of Syracuse, as clerk for three years.

Colonel Archie E. Baxter, of Elmira, will be re-elected as clerk of the Assembly.

Lleutenant-Governor Saxton, who is expected here to-morrow, has not completed his committee list for the Senate, and it may be modified somewhat after he arrives here. It is said that Senator Elisworth may take the post of chairman of the Judiciary Committee, although that Senator Ellsworth may take the post of chairman of the Judiciary Committee, although the friends of Senator Lexow have said that he may have it. A veek ago it was reported that Senator Lexow would go to the head of the Committee on Cities, and that Senator Parsons, who is now chairman of that committee, would lead the Committee on Canals. But since then the friends of Senator Lamy, of Buffalo, have been putting him forward for the chairmanship of the Committee on Canals, and it is now said that Senator Parsons may retain his present post. Where Senator Lexow will be placed is, therefore, a problem. Senator Mullin, of Watertown, will be continued as chairman of the Finance Committee, a deserved compliment, because he has had the backbone to fight proposed extravagant appropriations. Senator John Raines will probably go to the head of the Railroad Committee.

SPEAKER FISH'S LIST READY.

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Hamilton Fish, the Speaker of the Assembly, who will be re-elected without opposition next Wednesday, has taken possession of his house in Park Place, and he says frankly that he has the Republican Assemblymen, 103 in number, already placed on committees, and that he could an-nounce them to-morrow, were it not for the ne-cessity of learning where the forty-seven Demo-

The Republican leader in the Assembly is to be The Republican leader in the Assembly is to be James M. E. O'Grady, of Rochester, who last year was chairman of the Committee on Cities. Mr. O'Grady is to be the chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means. George C. Austin, of New-York, will probably be chairman of the Assembly Committee on Cities. Frederick S. Robbins, of Allegany County, a rising man, will probably be appointed chairman of the Assembly Judiciary Committee. Lambert B. Kern, of Madison, if his health permits, will be made chairman of the Committee on Excise. S. Frederick Nixon, of Chautauqua County, is to go to the head of the Railroad Committee again. Railroad Committee again.

Lieutenant-Governor Saxton was closeted last night with Thomas C. Platt in the private rooms of the latter in the Fifth Avenue Hotel until nearly midnight. Senator-elect T. E. Elisworth and Chair-

midnight. Senator-elect T. E. Elisworth and Chairman Hackett, of the Republican State Committee, were also present part of the evening. The object of the conference, as was not denied by anybody connected with it, was to arrange the Senate committees for the session of 1886.

Mr. Platt was represented 4s having his blue pencil at work on the Lieuten 1:Governor's prepared schedule, and a number of changes were reported to be in progress. The list was not completed at last night's sitting and another conference to-day may be necessary.

FOOTBALL AT MEMPHIS.

THE COMBINED TEAMS FROM PRINCETON AND YALE WIN AN EASY VICTORY.

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 26.-An assemblage numbering about 5,000, and including leaders of society of city and adjoining cities and towns, witnessed the game of football here this afternoon between a ination of Yale and Princeton and the Mem combination of Yale and Frinceton and the Mem-phis Athletic Club. Memphis had the kick-off, and in about five minutes the visitors had a touchdown, followed quickly by a goal. This was continued until the close of the first half of thirty minutes, when the score stood 22 to 0. After a ten-minute rest the two teams lined up again, Memphis taking the kick, and within the next thirty minutes the visitors chalked up 15 more, making a total of 38, Memphis failed to improve her record of the first half

ICE POLO AT YALE.

New-Haven, Dec. 26.-The proposed trip of the American ice polo team, which was to visit Canada, has been given up, owing to fears that it would not be a financial success and inability to secure one or two needed players. Malcolm Chace, who was to captain the team, will give his attention to the formation of a Yale ice polo team, which may pos-sibly play Harvard and Brown.

NEW RECORDS MADE ON THE COAST. Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 26.-Notwithstanding the cold wind the team at Santa Monica lowered, out of four attempts, three world's records, demon-Keiser, in the one-third mile paced, made coast. Keiser, in the one-third mile paced, made but #0.40.2-5, the pickup being bad. J. M. Campbell, for the standing start unpaced third, which Cox held the record for at 0.43, made at Louisville, cut the figure down three-fifths of a second, coming in with a grand spurt in 0.42.2-5. Ulbrecht, Campbell and Edwards tried for the third mile triplet record, which stood heretofore at 0.40, which they cut three seconds, making a new one of 0.37. Immediately following Randall, Schefski and Hatton broke the half-mile record on the triplet with 0.54 1-5.

SHOOTING AT LIVE BIRDS.

Newburg, Dec. 26 (Special).-In a live-bird shooting contest yesterday at the range of the West Newburg Gun Club James S. Taylor, of this city. practically made a clean score of 45. He killed 44 out of 45, and the forty-fifth bird fell just outside out of \$6, and the forty-find the best shooting ever done at this range. H. C. Higginson killed 41 out of 45, Homer S. Ramsdell 17 out of 29, and E. C. Likely 14 out of 15. On Saturday James S. Taylor and John Halstend, of the West Newburg Club, will go to Morristown, N. J., to shoot a match for \$100 a side with Clarkson and Holcomb, two crack shots of the New-Jersey Gun Club.

SPORTS ON THE ICE.

A club has been formed, known as the Palace Skating Club, with headquarters at the Ice Palace Skating Rink, Lexington-ave, and One-hundred and-seventh-st, the officers of which are Judge Charles E. Simms, president; J. L. Young, vicepresident; Emery Davis, treasurer; R. P. Winne, secretary. The roster now numbers fifty, and the object of the club is the advancement of athletic sports on lee, and teams will be formed from the members, and will be open for amateur champion-

ship games.

A match game of ice polo has been arranged to take place at the Ice Palace Skating Rink on New Year's night, between the Ice Palace Polo Club, of New-York, and the Clio Wheelmen Polo Club, of Jersey City.

MURPHY'S SERVICES REMEMBERED New-Haven, Dec. 26.-The New-York Athletic Club yesterday sent to Michael C. Murphy, trainer of their representative team in the track games against the London Athletic Club last fall, a grand upright piano as a testimonial for his services in bringing out a champion American team. The men Murphy trained defeated the London Athletic Club-in eleven straight contests. He also trained the Yale team, which defeated the Cambridge Univer-sity athletes.

CONDITION OF THE IRON TRADE.

Cleveland, Dec. 26.-"The Iron Trade Review" to-day says: "While holiday dulness is upon the Iron market in all its departments, and seemingly inten-sified by contrast with the history made in the year just closing, there are reports from all quarters of inquiry, much of which means early business. Hesitation, rather than stagnation, is still the word. Here and there a buyer wno must know the cost of his raw material for the next six months, because of pending contracts with the consumers of his product, is taking hold at current prices, and these are so close in nearly all cases that the transactions involve little or no risk. truth is forced home upon many producers that the present basis of labor-cost is out of proportion the present basis of labor-cost is out of proportion to current prices, and it would not be surprising, if the market continues at the present level, to see in January a movement for such a readjustment in wages as has been taking place in the product. Saics of Bessener pig iron the last week have been at \$10.75 at Valley Furnace, and it is intimated that \$10.50 is a possibility. The fact that the buyers who took considerable blocks of metal a few months ago, with deliveries in December and the early months of 1856, have paid a price per ton for the cancellasion of their contracts, leaves the iron on the furnace company's hands. To get this iron out of the way the makers have been content to realize cost, having already been paid their profit by the original buyers. Foundry irons do not show like weakness because they were free from speculation, but prices are lower, and \$13.50 at Valley Furnace for No. 1 and \$15.60 No. 2 are current show like weakness because they were free from speculation, but prices are lower, and \$13.50 at Valley Furnace for No. 1 and \$13 for No. 2 are current on small lots.

"There is a report that the present \$1.60 basis for furnace coke will be continued, and that it w.ll not only be the circular price, but the actual price. There is also the report that the \$2 programme will be carried out. It is believed that any contracts made will be limited to thirty days."

A MOB'S ATTACK ON A SCHOOL. Chicago, Dec. 26.—At about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon a telephone message was sent to the

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Maxwell-st. station that a mob was stoning the St. Aloyslus's School, at Maxwell and Jefferson sts. Patroimen were sent to the place to disperse the crowd. They found a mob of Russian Hebrews making a regular assault on the school. The sisters in charge had closed and boited the front doors and fled to the basement, where they hid themselves, expecting every minute to hear the mob crash through the doors to despoil the school. A band of boys and young men were hurling and paving stones through the windows, for 1900 is in R. A. 13 hours 34.3 minutes, declension il degrees 9 minutes. The spectrum of the new star resembles that of the surrounding 30 Doradus, and also that of the surrounding 30 Doradus, and also that of the star A. G. C. 20,227, and is unlike that of an ordinary nebula or of the pickets and clubs, hurled stones and sticks acm, and tried to trap them, so that they large band of boys and young men were hurling bricks and paving stones through the windows, and the building looked as if it had withstood a bombardment by artillery. The two policemen charged the rioters and succeeded in placing three of the ringleaders under arrest. A crowd of frantic



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might be trampled on the ground. The officers were forced to draw their clubs to save their lives.

The arrival of the patrol wagon put an end to further attempts to rescue the prisoners. The clothing of the policemen was torn to shreds, and both of them were much bruised and battered, but they held on to their prisoners. Ten years ago the district was a flourishing Irish parish, but the Russian exiles have gradually crowded out most of the Irish, and the Russians hope to dislodge the remainder by making life in the neighborhood uncomfortable for them.

GEN. P. WAT HARDIN'S NIECE ELOPES.

Harrodsburg, Ky., Dec. 25.-On Tuesday evening Miss Sophia Hardin, only child of Colonel Ben Lee Hardin, a brother of General P. Wat Hardin, was married to J. P. Grimes. They had been lovers for years, but as their marriage was opposed by her parents they waited for her majority without complaint. The license was procured on Tuesday. evening she had an engagement to attend a play at the Opera House. Instead of going to the opera, where her parents awaited her, she went to the Commercial House, where she met Mr. Grimes with friends. They were married, and left here for At-lanta at midnight. She left a letter for her parents explaining her conduct and asking their forgive-ness.

DISCOVERY OF A STAR.

Roston, Dec. 26.-A circular, issued from Hapvard College Observatory, by Professor Edward C. Pickering, announces a new star in the constellation Centaurus, found by Mrs. Fleming on December 12, 1895, from an examination of the Draper